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In re application of)

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Title: Method of Detaching Microorganisms)
from, or of Inhibiting Microbial)
Attachment to, Animal or Poultry)
Carcasses or Seafood or Parts)
Thereof)

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Sir: .

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56 Applicants herewith submit documents believed to be relevant to the above-identified patent application. The documents are listed on form PTO-1449 attached hereto. A copy of each document is enclosed.

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